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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

In Re;

LETTERS ROGATORY FOR THE ATTORNEY
GENERAL, REPUBLIC OF ITALY, IN THE
APPELLATE COURT OF MILAN, ITALY.

ANSWERS TO WRITTEN INTERROGATORIES
PROPOUNDED TO WITNESS, ALLEN DULLES.

1. My name is Allen Welsh Dulles. My address is 3825 Wisconsin Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

2. Yes

3. During ~~the~~ I was ~~Special representative of~~ ^{Assistant to} the United States ~~Government in~~ ^{Minister to} Switzerland.

4. Yes

5. Yes

6. General Wolff was ^{I understand} Commander of ~~German~~ ^{The Nazi} SS and police forces ^{in Northern} in Italy.

7. Individuals involved in the discussions referred to in questions 4 and 5 included General Karl Wolff, Dr. Eugen Dollmann, Baron Parrilli, Professor Max Husman, First Lieutenant Zimmer, von Gaevernitz, (Swiss Major, unidentified), and (Two Allied Generals from AFHQ, unidentified).

Gen Wolff was pressing for a personal interview with me, to discuss the German surrender in North Italy. As a condition of granting this request and as evidence that he meant business I told Gen Wolff's emissaries that I desired the release to me in Switzerland.

8. Discussions relating to the surrender took place during a period from ~~mid~~ ^{the end of} February 1945 to the latter part of April 1945.

9. Yes

10. Yes

11. Several months

of Ferruccio Parri and another brave Italian patriot held a prisoner of the Germans

12. Arrangements were made by me with emissaries of General Karl Wolff to secure the release of Ferruccio Parri from prison. It was intended that such a gesture on the part of the German authorities should be required as an indication that they were sincerely interested in effecting a surrender of the German Army in Italy.

13. Yes

14. ~~Yes~~ (over)

15. No

except the personal interview which I had agreed, in principle to give, if Parri was released.

16. The considerations underlying my request for the release of ~~AT the time~~

Ferruccio Parri are given in my answer to question 12. ~~The emissaries of General Wolff requested nothing as a condition of his release.~~

release

17. Yes

18. Baron Parrilli acted as intermediary in arranging meetings between myself and German Army officials.

with Himmler and Meier.

19. No answer is requested.

20. No

21. No

Subsequently Gen. Wolf informed me with demands for delivery of some high German Italian prisoners in Allied hands in Parri's "exchange". Parri stating that Parri's unconditional release had aroused deep suspicion in Nazi circles & that he was in trouble

No.

No
subsequent
study

14. ~~No~~ At ~~any~~ ^{no} time, during the
conversations ~~negotiations~~ with Wolf or in documents

relating to the surrender negotiations, ~~did~~
^{any} ~~received the slightest~~ indication that "Pari"
had given any information to his captors
regarding Italian partisan presence
therein.

or that his
release was in any respect
a "related" ~~reward~~ be
for any type of
reward for such
alleged action.

measures to induce him not to
return to Italy pending the liberation
of the country as I felt that his return and
possible capture might adversely affect
the pending + delicate German-Italian negotiations.
Since the fact of Parri's release had been kept a close secret
and was known only to a few high level officials in Switzerland
Upon the release of Ferruccio Parri I took all possible
measures to prevent Nazi officials from returning to Milan.

This action was taken to pre-
serve the security of the negotiations then taking place.

2/23. No

2/24. Shortly after the release of Parri, one of the emissaries of
General Wolff requested on behalf of General Wolff that the American forces
release one or two German or Italian prisoners. The reason given me for the request was that
General Wolff wished to avoid comment among German Army officials
about what appeared to be the gratuitous release of Parri. If one or two
German or Italian prisoners were released by the Americans, General
Wolff's theory was that he could then explain Parri's release as a normal
exchange of prisoners.

ALLEN DULLES

was in trouble with Hummel
at the German High Command
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